

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

11020 Sun Center Drive #200, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

concerning

**TENTATIVE NPDES PERMIT RENEWAL
GENERAL WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS ORDER R5-2010-0018-01
NPDES No. CAG135001**

FOR

**COLD WATER CONCENTRATED AQUATIC ANIMAL PRODUCTION FACILITY
DISCHARGES TO SURFACE WATERS**

The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) currently regulates surface water discharges from fish hatcheries pursuant to the above referenced General Waste Discharge Requirements (General Order). This General Order applies to individuals, public agencies, private businesses, and other legal entities that operate facilities that meet the definition of a cold water concentrated aquatic animal production (CAAP) facility, as defined in section 122.24 of Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations, and that discharge to surface water bodies.

The General Order expires on 1 January 2015. A proposed NPDES permit renewal has been developed for reissuance of the General Order that includes minimal changes from the current General Order. Changes to effluent limits and monitoring requirements include: 1) removal of pH and settleable solids effluent limits; 2) updated copper and total suspended solids effluent limits; and 3) removal of influent and effluent settleable solids monitoring requirements.

Dischargers that are currently covered by General Order R5-2010-0018-01 would automatically be granted continued coverage under the renewed General Order. The Central Valley Water Board, however, is planning to issue updated Notice of Applicability letters to existing dischargers.

A public hearing concerning this matter will be held during the Central Valley Water Board meeting scheduled for:

DATE: 4/5 December 2014
TIME: 8:30 a.m.
PLACE: Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board Room
11020 Sun Center Drive, #200
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

Only designated parties will have these rights: to call and examine witnesses; to introduce exhibits; to cross-examine opposing witnesses; to impeach any witness; and to rebut the evidence against him or her. All other persons wishing to testify or provide comments are interested persons and not designated parties. Such interested persons may request status as a designated party for purposes of this hearing by submitting such request in writing to the Central Valley Water Board no later than 5:00 p.m. on **20 October 2014**. The request must explain the basis for status as a designated party and in particular how the person is directly affected by the discharge.

Persons wishing to comment on this noticed hearing item must submit testimony, evidence, if any, and/or comments in writing to the Central Valley Water Board no later than 5:00 p.m. on **20 October 2014**. Written materials or comments, including emails, submitted after 5:00 p.m. on

20 October 2014 will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record absent a ruling by the Central Valley Water Board Chair. Any person requesting to submit late materials must demonstrate good cause for the late submission, and the Board Chair must find that accepting the late submission will not prejudice the Central Valley Water Board or any designated party. All designated parties and interested persons may speak at the Central Valley Water Board meeting, and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals. Oral testimony and cross examination will be limited in time by the Central Valley Water Board Chair.

Anyone having questions regarding the hearing item should contact Dania Jimmerson at (916) 464-4742 or djimmerson@waterboards.ca.gov. Interested parties may download the tentative Order and related documents from the Central Valley Water Board's Internet website at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/tentative_orders/. Copies of these documents can also be obtained by contacting or visiting the Central Valley Water Board's office at 11020 Sun Center Drive, #200, Rancho Cordova, California 95670-6114 weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. **The final meeting agenda will be available at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/ at least 10 days before the meeting. The agenda will provide the specific date the Board Meeting will be held for this item, indicate the anticipated order of all agenda items, and may include staff revisions to the proposed order(s).**

The procedures governing Central Valley Water Board meetings may be found at Title 23, California Code of Regulations, Section 647 et seq. and are available upon request. Hearings before the Central Valley Water Board are not conducted pursuant to Government Code section 11500 et seq. The procedures may be obtained by accessing http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/laws_regulations/. Information on meeting and hearing procedures is also available on the Central Valley Water Board's website at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/mtgprocd.shtml or by contacting any one of the Central Valley Water Board's offices. Questions regarding such procedures should be directed to Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839.

The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839 at least 5 working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY

KENNETH D. LANDAU, Assistant Executive Officer

18 September 2014